



Radiometric and Spectral Consistency of Hyperspectral Infrared Sounders

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CrIS Operational Concept





Figures from ITT Exelis









Motivation



- Hyperspectral IR sounders have served as benchmark measurements for the GSICS community.
 - Polar orbiting sensor: HIRS, AVHRR, AATSR
 - Geostationary : Imagers and Sounders
- With more hyperspectral IR sounders on-orbit, are there any radiometric and spectral differences among them?
 - − Now: AIRS → Metop-A/IASI → NPP/CrIS → Metop-B/IASI
 - Future: JPSS-1/CrIS and MetOp-C/IASI
- Understanding the root causes of the radiometric differences of these sounders will benefit for CrIS Cal/Val program







VIIRS

SNO

Double difference

CrIS

- Direct comparison

 CrIS versus IASI (Metop-A and -B)
- Indirect comparison:
 - Through the third sensor, CrIS-VIIRS versus IASI-VIIRS
- Objectives
 - Reduce uncertainties caused by the methodology
 - Identify the differences at the sensor calibration level
 - Understanding the root causes of these differences

IASI



Simultaneous Nadir Overpass (SNO)







Collocating CrIS/IASI with VIIRS: Accurately computing FOV Shape



The method based on the algorithm can detect the VIIRS geolocation errors







Collocate VIIRS with CrIS/IASI











Resample IASI to CrIS









Metop-B IASI/ and CrIS Metop-A IASI and CrIS North (153) North (339) BT [K] BT [K] Average Spectra South (133) South (431) wavenumber [cm-1] wavenumber [cm-1]

SNOs in 10/2012, 12/2012, and 02/2013

SNOs in 03/2013



CrIS vs. IASI: CrIS Band 1







CrIS vs. IASI: CrIS Band 2







CrIS vs. IASI: CrIS Band 3











CrIS/IASI spectra are overlapped with VIIRS SRFs for M13, M15, and M16, and I5









Be careful for out-of-band response!



Center wavenumber and band correction coefficients are calculated using the above SRFs.



OOB effects in BTs







CrIS/IASI versus VIIRS







For a non-linear detector





Hypothetical detector-response curve exhibiting nonlinearity. The horizontal axis represents the absolute magnitude of the photon flux and the vertical axis represents the measured dc signal.

Non-linearity responses in spectral domain.

From Abrams et al. 1994



Non-linearity Coefficient Changes



















IASI/CrIS vs. VIIRS M16







Conclusion



- Inter-comparison of CrIS with IASI indicate that the consistency between CrIS and IASI is around 0.1-0.2 K at most spectral regions.
 - Band 1: CrIS is warmer than IASI, especially for cold scenes
 - Band 2: CrIS and IASI agrees well at water vapor absorption region.
 - Band 3: Spectral inconsistency for shortwave sharp transition regions between CrIS and IASI
- CrIS/IASI vs. VIIRS band M15 and M16.
 - The differences are more apparent at cold scenes (180-200K) than at warm scenes (above 260K).
 - CrIS-VIIRS BT difference shows stronger scene-dependent features at M15 than IASI.
- The detector nonlinearity plays an important role for the differences among CrIS, IASI, and VIIRS.
- Newly-proposed nonlinear coefficients for CrIS will reduce the differences of CrIS-IASI and CrIS-VIIRS. After evaluation, these nonlinear coefficients will be released for operational data processing.





Thank you















